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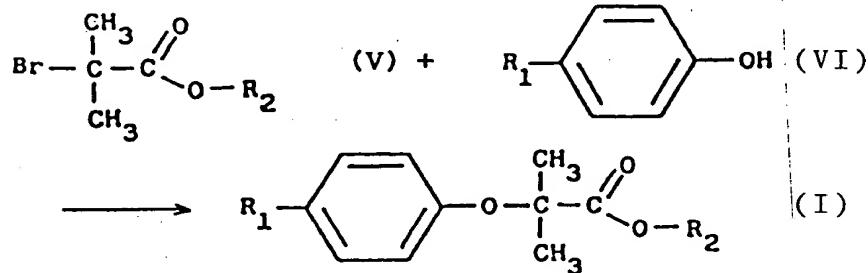
entitled: Method for the preparation of fibrates

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a method for the preparation of fibrates of the formula I according to the mechanism:



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in which R_1 represents especially a halogen atom (in particular F, Cl or Br, the preferred halogen atom being Cl) or an acetyl, (4-chlorophenyl)hydroxymethyl, 4-chlorobenzoyl or 2-(4-chlorobenzamido)ethyl group and R_2 represents a $\text{C}_{1\text{--}4}$ alkyl group in which the hydrocarbon chain is linear or branched, the reaction V + VI being carried out without a solvent.